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Sir:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOVEMBER 17, 2004 FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
AND PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is submitted in response to the November 17, 2004 Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified patent application. A response to the November 17, 2004 Final Office Action was originally due February 17, 2005. Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time from February 17, 2005 to May 17, 2005 for responding to the November 17, 2004 Final Office Action. The fee for the extension of time is \$510.00, and a check for that amount is enclosed. Accordingly, the subject application is pending on May 17, 2005. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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